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| Art Unit | 1771 |
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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EXAMINER: Hai Vo

TITLE: Patterned Porous Structures

GROUP ART UNIT: 1771

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231AMENDMENT

Applicant submits this amendment in response to an Office Action mailed August 19, 2002 and directed to the above-identified application. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment prior to examination of this case on the merits.

This application is the subject of a Request for Continuing Application.

An extension of time of has been filed this same day.

In The Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

- In Figure 1 is shown as first embodiment of the present invention. As shown, there is a structure, in this case a porous structure 1 that has one or more areas of porous materials 2 and one or more reduced porosity or non-porous areas 3. In this arrangement, the reduced porosity or non-porous areas 3 are formed as a series intersecting lines that form a series of square grids, the interior of each square are formed of porous material 2. While the affected areas are described as being of reduced porosity or being non-

porous, it is preferred that they be essentially non-porous, e.g. that liquids do